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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371			U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5)  Not Yet Assigned
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/SE99/02460	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 22 December 1999	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED: 24 December 1998	
TITLE OF INVENTION - see attached pages -			
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US - see attached pages -			
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:  1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(l).			

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Attorney Docket: 31577-170129

Attention: PCT-DO/US

Re: International Application PCT/SE99/02460 filed December 22, 1999  
Priority Claimed is claimed from December 24, 1998.

Inventor(s): Simon VALKENBURG and Norbert PITZER

Title: "A METHOD OF FABRICATING AN AIR-BAG AND AN AIR-BAG  
FABRICATED BY THE METHOD"

Sir:

Submitted herewith, as the first submission, are the following for the purposes of entering the national stage for the USA under 35 U.S.C. 371(c), **immediate national examination under 35 U.S.C. 371(f) being requested.**

- ☒ English-language International Application No. PCT/SE99/02460 published as WO 00/38954.
- ☒ One Sheet of Drawings, Figs. 1-2.
- ☒ Preliminary Amendment.
- ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.

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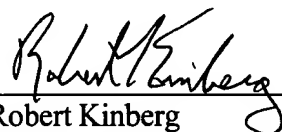
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